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Letter dated 28 May 2014 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council

I have the honour to refer to Security Council resolution 1977 (2011), paragraph 5 (a), in which the Council requested the Secretary-General to establish, in consultation with the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1540 (2004), a group of up to eight experts, acting under the direction and purview of the Committee, composed of individuals with appropriate experience and knowledge to provide the Committee with expertise, to assist the Committee in carrying out its mandate under resolutions 1540 (2004), 1673 (2006), 1810 (2008) and 1977 (2011), including through the facilitation of assistance to improve implementation of resolution 1540 (2004).

By its resolution 2055 (2012), adopted on 29 June 2012, the Security Council emphasized the significantly increased workload of the Committee over the course of its mandate and requested the Secretary-General to increase the size of the group of experts referred to in paragraph 5 (a) of resolution 1977 (2011) to up to nine experts.

In a letter dated 26 July 2012, addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/2012/585), I informed the Council that I had established the group of experts and appointed nine individuals to the group. Since then, one expert resigned in December 2013 and the terms of service of two other experts expired in March and April 2014.

On 22 May 2014, the Committee informed the Secretariat that after consultations, the Committee had agreed on three candidates and, in that connection, requested that the Secretary-General take the necessary measures to appoint three new experts to the group of experts.

Accordingly, I wish to inform you that, after consultations with the Committee, I have appointed the following experts to the group of experts:

Mr. Raphael Prenat (France)
Mr. Gennady Lutay (Russian Federation)
Mr. Michael Rosenthal (United States of America).

I should be grateful if you would bring the present letter to the attention of the members of the Security Council.

(*Signed*) **BAN** Ki-moon

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